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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Ikuko KOBAYASHI et al.

Serial No.: 10/743,729

Filed: December 24, 2003

For: STREAM SERVER APPARATUS, PROGRAM, AND NAS  
DEVICE

Group: 2131

Examiner: M. Henning

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

March 22, 2006

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

Remarks are included following the amendments.